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# **Interview Summary**

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Ronald J. Kubovcik.

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Date of Interview: 12 March 2004.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: All.

Identification of prior art discussed: Art of record.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Hien Tran

Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The attorney describes the difference of the instant invention from that of the prior art. The attorney suggested to put "inline exhaust pipe" in the instant claim to exclude the cross-flow monolith of the WO. The attorney also suggested the possibility of adding the specific embodiments in table 2 of the instant specification. The examiner pointed out that there are other set of rejections besides the WO. Also, it is suggested that any changes after final rejection may be denied from entry.